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**MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Status of Parachute Program**

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Call to [redacted] - 12 March 1962

Work on Program - Week of 5-9 March

Main Chute:

3 live jumps made from 6000' (makes 6 total)  
3 more as soon as possible from 6000'  
8 live jumps to be made from 15,800'

Last Week - 1st Stage:

4 dummy drops were made from 45,000' (makes 40 total) - Excessive rpm and 1st stage chute collapse were experienced. These drops were made with modified 1st stage chute. [redacted] feels that the 60" chute may be too small, that there is apparently no quick fix. May need to go to 78" chute; if so, will need around 25 more drops.

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Future:

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General Flickinger and [redacted] are scheduled to visit [redacted] on Wednesday, 14 March, to review program and associated problems. [redacted] is also planning to complete the three live jumps from 6000' and the eight live jumps from 15,800' prior to returning to [redacted] for visit.

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Added:

Four of the 6 live jumps from 6000' have had survival kit hang-up. Buckle trouble has been eliminated by re-routing.

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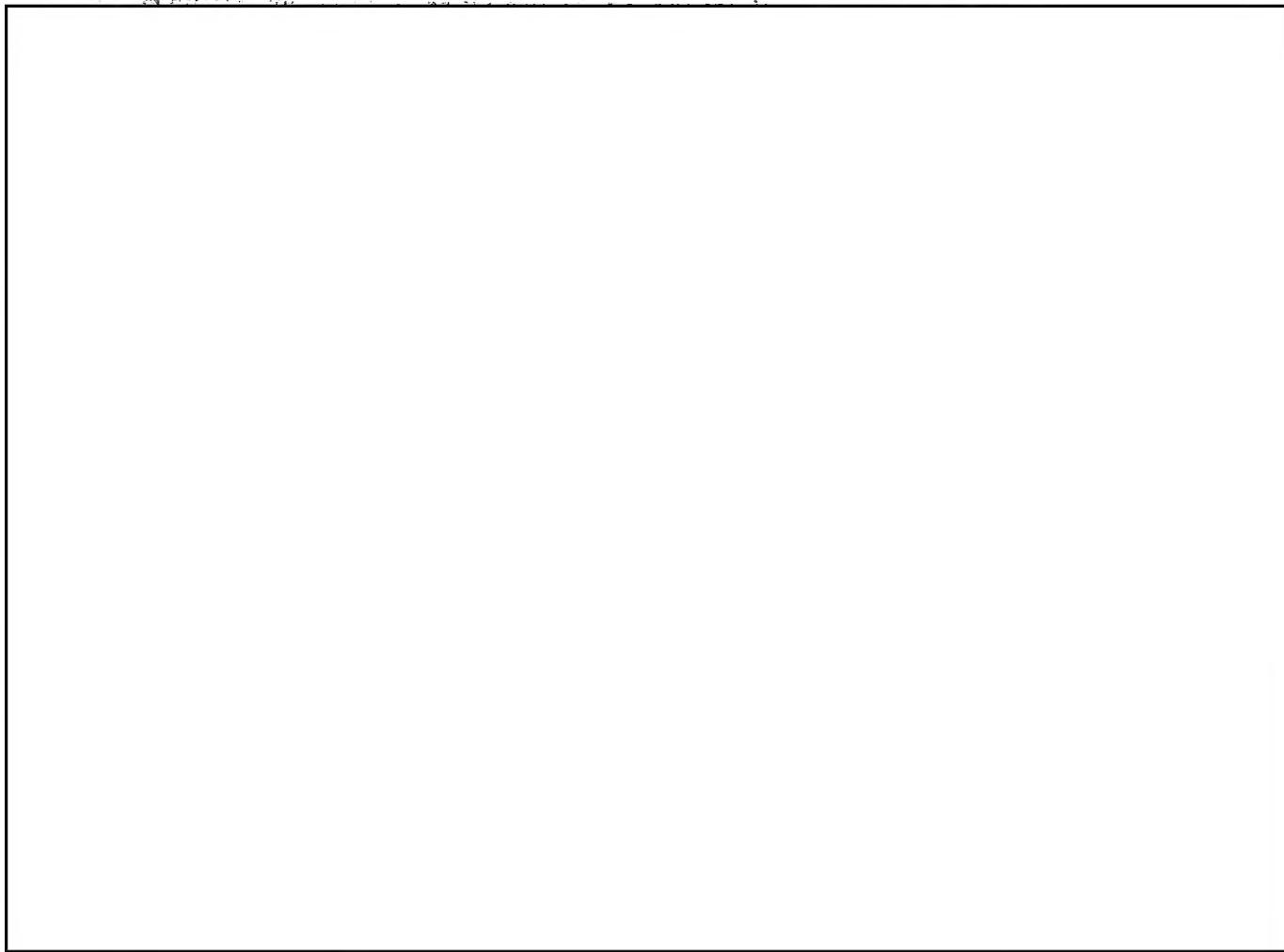
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[redacted] DC/DB/DPD:hmj (13 March 1962)

**Distribution:**

- Cy #1 - DD/R
- 2 - AC/DPD
- 3 - C/DB/DPD
- 4 - SA/TA/DPD
- 5 - DB/DPD
- 6 - RI/DPD



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